

ELIGIBILITY

Nominees are limited to those individuals, organizations, schools, and businesses that reside in the City of Alexandria. Alexandria Commission for the Arts Commissioners and staff are ineligible for nomination. Only one nomination may be made per entry form.

Please note: Nominees are eligible to receive the Alex Award in only one category in any given year. A nominee may receive another Alex Award in a different category in subsequent years.

NOMINATION PROCESS:

(All steps of the nomination process are required for complete consideration.)

- ☐ Complete the nomination form
- ☐ Prepare a one page narrative (8.5" x 11") about the nominee that includes: biographical information, artistic and/or service achievements, and a brief explanation of your reasons for making this nomination.

Nominations without a narrative will not be considered.

- ☐ For individual nominations attach a copy of the nominee's resume that may not exceed four pages.
- ☐ For organization and business nominations attach a copy of a promotional brochure which explains the mission or purpose and type of business or organization.

Individual nominations without resumes will not be considered.

- ☐ Submit additional support materials that demonstrate the nominee's artistic service achievements. Support materials may include photos, testimonial letters, newspaper and magazine clippings, award letters.

Nominations without support materials will not be eligible.



**ALEXANDRIA
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FOR THE ARTS**

2005 Alex Award Program

NOMINATION FORM:

Make ONE nomination per entry form. Please type or print all information.

You may copy this form to make additional nominations.

The Alexandria Commission for the Arts will not accept faxed nominations.

Name of Nominee: _____
(Individual or Organization)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone (AM): _____ Telephone (PM): _____

E-mail: _____

Check one category:

- ☐ Excellence in an Artistic Discipline
- ☐ Outstanding Contributions to Arts
- ☐ Excellence in Service to the Arts
- ☐ Innovative Partnerships between Businesses and the Arts

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Nominator's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone (AM): _____ Telephone (PM): _____

E-mail: _____

**All nominations must be received at the Commission's office no later than
Monday, March 21, 2005, at 4:00 p.m. Postmarks will not be accepted.**

**Alex Award Program
Alexandria Commission for the Arts
1108 Jefferson Street
Alexandria, VA 22314**

All nominations must include: 1) Nomination form; 2) One-page narrative about the nominee; and,
3) support materials.

Applications will not be considered without inclusion of support materials.

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ALEX AWARD PROGRAM

The **Alex Award** is an annual program geared to stimulate interest in the arts in the following four sectors: artistic, business, community and education.

The **Alex Award** program recognizes these sectors through these categories: Excellence in an Artistic Discipline; Excellence in Service to the Arts; Outstanding Contributions to Arts Education; and Innovative Partnerships between Businesses and the Arts.

The Alexandria Commission for the Arts respectfully challenges colleagues in these sectors throughout the year to take an active part in helping to inspire the development of a creative environment for the Alexandria community on a day-to-day basis. And unlike the traditional statue type of award that is customary with this kind of program, the Commission has agreed to do something a little bit different. The **Alex Award** will, in each of the four categories, be a piece of original art from a local Alexandria artist.

CRITERIA AND ENTRY MATERIALS

Nominees should be distinguished by the letters of support from peers and superiors, recognition from professional organizations or institutions of higher learning, and visual evidence of their artistic excellence. Photographs submitted to illustrate the artists' expertise should be on CD-ROM, or printed photographs of the highest quality.

Evidence of excellence may include clippings of reviews from newspapers and magazines.

The **Alex Awards** are open to all those who live, work or study within the limits of the City of Alexandria. No self-nominations will be accepted. There are no restrictions by sex, age, race, religion or sexual orientation.

The Alexandria Commission for the Arts is affiliated with the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities of the City of Alexandria.

CATEGORIES

Excellence in an Artistic Discipline

Nominees might include an artist or group who have been recognized locally and/or outside of Alexandria, or who have had a history of recognition by peers.

Excellence in Service to the Arts

Nominees may include fund raisers, organizers, volunteers or donors to artists and arts organizations.

Outstanding Contributions to Arts Education

This nominee might be a teacher, a business, a donor, or a volunteer group fostering arts education.

Innovative Partnerships between Businesses and the Arts

The nominee in this category should be in a relationship with a school, an arts group, or an arts support group.

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HISTORY

The **Alex Award** was first presented in 1985 by the Cultural Committee of the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce. The original award was an engraved silver star paperweight. The awards were discontinued in 1995.

The **Alex** was revived by the Arts Commission in 2004 at their 20th anniversary gala, and the award was a custom piece of art commissioned for the recipient. The continuing **Alex Award** will be a commissioned piece of art from an Alexandria artist, and a representation of that original star.



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